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FORMALITIES LETTER



This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

- An abstract was not provided for this application. An abstract of the technical disclosure is required under 37 CFR 1.72(b).

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In re application of:

Andreas Wachtler et al.

Serial No.: Div. of 09/600,295 : Group Art Unit: Not Assigned

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For: PERFLUORO-N-ALKANESULFONIC ACID DERIVATIVES

**AMENDMENT IN REPLY TO
NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS**

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed August 27, 2001, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Add the attached "Abstract of the Disclosure" as a separate page following the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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